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PETERSFIELD URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
PETERSFIELD.

August, 1944.

To:- The Chairman and Members,
Petersfield Urban District Council.

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit the Annual Public Health Report
for the year 1943.

The Report is again abridged and in accordance
with the Ministry of Health instructions.

The Health Services of the District have been
maintained at a consistently satisfactory level and the vital
statistical figures for the year under report compare very
favourably with those of the Country as a whole.

The post of Medical Officer of Health was held by
me throughout the year.

My thanks are again due to both Mr. Longbottom and
Mr. Bradley and also to the entire Public Health staff for
their whole-hearted co-operation in the work of the Department
and to the two former Officers for their valuable assistance
in the compiling of the Report.

Yours faithfully,

T.D. MURISON,

Lt.Col. I.M.S. (Retired)

M.O.H. Petersfield U.D.C.

THE PETERSFIELD URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

VITAL STATISTICS.

Number of inhabited
houses 1,803

BIRTHS

<u>Live Births</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	52	44	96
Illegitimate	3	6	9
			<u>105</u>

Rate per 1000 population 14.24
Rate per 1000 population, England and Wales 16.5

<u>Still Births</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	3	-	3
Illegitimate	-	-	-
			<u>3</u>

Rate per 1000 Total births (live and still) 27.77
Rate per 1000 Legitimate 30.30
Rate per 1000 Illegitimate ---

Rate per 1000 Population 0.40
Rate per 1000 Population England and Wales 0.51

<u>DEATHS.</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
From all causes	40	42	82
Rate per 1000 Population			11.12
Rate per 1000 Population England and Wales			12.1

Maternal Mortality

Death from Puerperal Sepsis nil
Death from other Puerperal Causes nil

Rate per 1000 Births nil
Rate per 1000 Births England and Wales 2.49

<u>Infant Mortality (Deaths under 1 year)</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	2	-	2
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Rate per 1000 Live Births			19.04
Rate per 1000 Live Births England and Wales			49.00
Legitimate Infant Mortality Rate			20.83
Illegitimate Infant Mortality Rate			nil

Deaths from:-

Cancer (all ages)	18
Measles (all ages)	1
Whooping Cough (under all ages)	nil
Diarrhoea (under 2 years)	1

Causes of Death

	M.	F.
1. Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever	-	-
2. Cerebro-spinal Fever	-	-
3. Scarlet Fever	-	-
4. Whooping Cough	-	-
5. Diphtheria	-	-
6. Tuberculosis Respiratory System	3	-
7. Tuberculosis other forms	-	-
8. Syphilis	1	-
9. Influenza	2	6
10. Measles	-	1
11. Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-
12. Acute Infantile Encephalitis	-	-
13. Cancer b.cav. and Oesophagus	1	2
14. Cancer of stomach	2	1
15. Cancer of breast	-	1
16. Cancer of all other sites	7	4
17. Diabetes	-	-
18. Intra-Cran. Vasc. Lesions	6	5
19. Heart Disease	7	9
20. Other diseases of circulatory system	1	4
21. Bronchitis	1	2
22. Pneumonia	1	-
23. Other respiratory diseases	-	2
24. Ulcer of stomach or duodenum	1	-
25. Diarrhoea under 2 years	1	-
26. Appendicitis	-	1
27. Other digestive diseases	-	-
28. Nephritis	1	2
29. Puerperal or Post-abortion. Sepsis	-	-
30. Other maternal causes	-	-
31. Premature birth	1	-
32. Congenital mal. Birth Injury and Infant. Diseases	-	-
33. Suicide	1	-
34. Road Traffic Accidents	-	-
35. Other violent causes	1	-
36. All other causes	2	2
	40	42

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE FOR THE AREA

Medical Officer of Health (part-time) :-

T.D. MURISON, D.P.H., Lt. Col. I.M.S. (Retired)

Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector :-

H. LONGBOTTOM, M.I.M. & C.E., F.S.I.,

Additional Sanitary Inspector and Meat and Foods Inspector:-

F.G. BRADLEY, M.S.I.A., A.R. San. I.

The Hampshire County Council has officers discharging duties in the area, including the Assistant County Medical Officer, Dental Surgeon, Inspector for Food and Drugs and Health Visitors.

LABORATORY FACILITIES.

The Hampshire County Council provide all facilities for the chemical and bacteriological examination of clinical materials (sputum, swabs, etc.,) water, milk and foodstuffs.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

A motor ambulance is available at the Isolation Hospital for infectious cases. For non-infectious and accident cases, two motor ambulances are provided and maintained by the Petersfield Ambulance Committee.

NURSING IN THE HOMES.

A District Nurse, who also acts as midwife, practices in the area.

CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE CENTRES.

A Local Committee of voluntary helpers is responsible for this popular centre which does much good work in the district. The Clinic meets on Wednesdays at Ramshill, has a Medical Officer in attendance and is well attended.

ANTE-NATAL CLINIC.

Held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at Ramshill.

ORTHOPAEDIC CLINIC.

Held Fridays at 2.p.m. weekly. Surgeon's day, first Friday at 2.p.m. Alternate at Havant, under the County Council.

TUBERCULOSIS DISPENSARY.

Held on the 1st, 3rd and 4th Saturdays or every month at Havant, under the County Council.

VENEREAL DISEASES.

Treatment available at Portsmouth.

HOSPITALS.

The Isolation Hospital is under the control of the Petersfield Isolation Hospital Committee.

For medical, surgical and maternity cases, the Petersfield Hospital of 32 beds, maintained on a voluntary basis, meets the requirements of the area.

SPECIAL HOSPITALS.

The County Council have made arrangements for beds in other Hospitals for the following medical services, viz., Maternity, Orthopaedic, Puerperal Fever and Pyrexia, Ophthalmia Neonatorum.

SMALL-POX HOSPITAL.

The County Council provide arrangements for removal of cases to a Hospital at Winchester.

SANATORIA.

Sanatoria for tuberculosis patients are provided by the County Council at Bishopstoke and Chandlers Ford.

INSTITUTIONAL PROVISION for Unmarried Mothers, Illegitimate Infants and Homeless Children and Mental Defectives.

The County Council is the Local Authority.

MATERNITY AND NURSING HOMES.

There is one situated in the district which is registered with, and inspected by, the County Authority.

INFANT LIFE PROTECTION.

The County Authority arranges for the regular inspection of boarded-out children and necessary returns of new cases.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

No important changes have taken place during the year.

HOUSING.

Number of new houses completed during the year 1943 nil.

Number of houses provided by the Local Authority nil.

1. Inspection of dwellinghouses during the year:-

(1) (a) Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) 121

(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose 177

(2) (a) Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925 121

(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose 177

(3) Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation nil.

(4) Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be, in all respect, reasonably fit for human habitation 33

2. Remedy of Defects during the year without service of formal notices :-

Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers. 30.

3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year :-

(a) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act 1936 :-

(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which Notices were served requiring repairs	nil
(2) Number of dwellinghouses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices	
(a) By owners	nil
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	nil

WATER SUPPLY.

The supply which is constant has been sufficient to meet the requirements of the district. All sources of supply owned by the Council are chlorinated. Samples which are regularly sent for analysis have been satisfactory. 99.23% of the inhabited premises in the district are supplied from the Council's undertaking.

GENERAL INSPECTIONS AND VISITS:-

Rodent Control	.. .. .	87
Water Supply	.. .. .	84
Bakehouses	.. .. .	24
Fried Fish Shops	.. .. .	11
Shops	.. .. .	48
Factories	.. .. .	32
Camping Sites	.. .. .	41
Verminous premises	.. .. .	13
Common Lodging Houses	.. .. .	6
A.R.P. and Evacuation	.. .. .	107
Miscellaneous Sanitary Visits	.. .. .	240
Complaints received and dealt with	.. .. .	92
Total inspections and visits	.. .. .	2941

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

(a) MILK SUPPLY :-

Number of Retail Purveyors	.. .. .	8
" " Wholesale Dealers	.. .. .	1
" " Cowkeepers	.. .. .	20
" " Cows kept - approximately	.. .. .	500
" " Licensed producers of "Tuberculin Tested" Milk	.. .. .	nil
" " Licensed producers of "Accredited" Milk	.. .. .	5
" " Licensed producers of "Pasteurised" Milk	.. .. .	1
" " Licensed retailers of "Pasteurised" Milk	.. .. .	3
" " Inspections made of dairies and cowsheds	.. .. .	121
" " Samples of "Pasteurised" milk taken for analysis (Phosphatase and B.Coli tests)	.. .. .	3
" " Samples which complied with the regulations	.. .. .	3
" " Samples of raw milk taken for analysis (bacterial count, reductase and B. Coli tests)	.. .. .	33
" " Samples which were of accredited standard	.. .. .	15

Several minor defects were found. They were quickly remedied. Conditions at the cowsheds were generally satisfactory, in spite of difficult conditions due to shortage of labour.

All elementary schools in the district are supplied with pasteurised milk, pasteurised and bottled under hygienic conditions at the wholesale dairy of South Eastern Farmers Ltd.,

(b) MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

Number of inspections of slaughter-houses,
shops, stalls, etc.,

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MEAT INSPECTION.

Carcases Inspected and Condemned

	Cattle excluding Cows.	Cows.	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs.
Number killed	478	567	1372	2966	344
Number inspected	478	567	1372	2966	344
All diseases except tuberculosis.					
Whole carcasses condemned	1	2	1	13	2
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	43	88	5	33	3
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis	9.20.	15.87	0.43	1.55	1.45
Tuberculosis only.					
Whole carcasses condemned	3	13	1	-	1
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	70	170	-	-	19
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	15.27	32.25	0.07	-	5.81
Total weight of meat condemned	..	..	..	..	10 tons 8 cwt.
Other foods condemned :-					
50 Tins Vegetables				120 lbs. Bacon	
162 Tins Condensed Milk				100 lbs. Fish	
292 Tins Meat				13 lbs. Cheese	
178 Eggs				9½ cwts. Peas	
44 Tins of Fruit				16 lbs. Flour	
39 Tins of Fish				405 lbs. Bread	
				60 Fishcakes	
				56 Meat Pies	
				24 Sausage Rolls	
				22 Jam Rolls	
				14 pkts. Cereals.	

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE
YEAR, 1943.

<u>DISEASES</u>	<u>TOTAL CASES NOTIFIED</u>	<u>CASES ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL</u>	<u>TOTAL DEATHS</u>
Scarlet Fever	17	21	--
Diphtheria	9	25 X	--
Puerperal Fever	--	--	--
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	--	--
Pneumonia	--	--	--
Dysentery	--	--	--
Erysipelas	3	2	--
Malaria (contracted abroad)	--	--	--
Ophthalmic Neonatorum	--	--	--
Enteric Fever, including paratyphoid	--	--	--
Anterior Poliomyelitis	--	--	--
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	--	--	--
Measles	113	7	1
Whooping Cough	10	--	--
	<u>153</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>1</u>

X 16 cases admitted as carriers.

Scabies - 58 Cases treated as out-patients at Isolation Hospital.
8 Cases admitted to Moorey's, Liss - (Evacuation Scheme)
Rooms Disinfected, 55.

TUBERCULOSIS.

<u>AGE PERIOD</u>	<u>NEW CASES.</u>				<u>DEATHS.</u>			
	<u>Respiratory</u>		<u>Non-Respiratory</u>		<u>Respiratory</u>		<u>Non-Respiratory</u>	
	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>
0 - 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 - 5	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 35	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 45	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
45 - 55	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
55 - 65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 and over	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Total number of cases on register on 31st Dec. 1943 ... 30
DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION - During the year, 306 children were treated
by the Medical Officer of Health.